

General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 1149

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AN ACT CONCERNING MINOR REVISIONS TO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION PROVISIONS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Subsection (g) of section 22a-178 of the general statutes is
- 2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
- 3 passage):
- (g) When an order issued by the commissioner to any person
 pursuant to this chapter becomes final, except for an order to create or
 use emission reduction credits, the [respondent to such order shall file]
 commissioner shall cause a certified copy or notice of the final order to
- 8 be filed on the land records in the town where the subject property is
- 9 located, and such certified copy or notice shall constitute a notice to the
- 10 owner's heirs, successors and assigns. [Notwithstanding the provisions
- of this subsection, where the respondent to a final order does not own
- 12 the subject property, the commissioner shall record notice of such
- 13 order on the land records in the town where the subject property is
- 14 located.] When the order has been fully complied with or revoked, the
- 15 commissioner shall issue a [certificate] <u>notice</u> showing such
- 16 compliance or revocation, which [certificate the recipient of such
- 17 certificate shall record,] notice the commissioner shall cause to be
- 18 recorded on the land records in the town wherein the order was
- 19 previously recorded. [Notwithstanding the provisions of this

- 20 subsection, where the recipient of such certificate does not own the
- 21 subject property, the commissioner shall record such certificate on the
- 22 land records in the town where the subject property is located. A
- 23 person filing a notice, a final order or a certificate pursuant to this
- 24 subsection shall submit to the commissioner a certified copy of the
- 25 filing indicating the volume and page number upon which the notice,
- 26 final order or certificate is filed.]
- Sec. 2. Subdivision (3) of subsection (k) of section 22a-174 of the
- 28 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
- 29 thereof (*Effective October 1, 2005*):
- 30 (3) Any general permit under this subsection shall be issued for a
- 31 fixed term. A general permit covering an activity regulated under the
- 32 federal Clean Air Act shall be issued for a term of no more than five
- 33 years. A general permit covering an activity regulated under the
- 34 federal Clean Air Act shall contain such additional conditions as may
- be required by that act. <u>The commissioner may, not earlier than two</u>
- 36 <u>hundred seventy days prior to the expiration date stated in the permit,</u>
- 37 send notice to the permittee that an application for permit renewal
- 38 shall be submitted not later than one hundred eighty days prior to the
- 39 <u>expiration date stated in the permit. If the permittee submits a</u>
- 40 <u>sufficient application for renewal within such time, the permit shall be</u>
- 41 <u>continued in accordance with subsection (b) of section 4-182. If the</u>
- permittee does not submit a sufficient application for renewal within such time, the permit shall expire unless the commissioner extends the
- 44 permit pursuant to section 22a-6j.
- Sec. 3. Section 22a-403 of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 46 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2005*):
- 47 (a) Before any person constructs, alters, rebuilds, substantially
- 48 repairs, adds to, replaces or removes any [such] dam, dike, reservoir or
- 49 <u>similar</u> structure, such person shall apply to the commissioner for a
- 50 permit to undertake such work. The application for such permit shall
- be in triplicate, the original of which, with necessary drawings, plans,

specifications and other data, shall be submitted to the commissioner, in the form and to the extent required by him. If the commissioner finds that an application is complete, he shall (1) notify the applicant by certified mail, return receipt requested, of his intent to grant a permit with or without terms and conditions or to deny a permit for such work, and (2) publish notice of such intention in a newspaper having a general circulation in the area in which the proposed work will take place or have effect. The commissioner shall mail notice of such intent to the chief executive officer, the inland wetland agency, and the planning, zoning and conservation commissions of each town in which the work will take place or have effect. The commissioner may hold a hearing prior to approving or denying any application if, in his discretion, the public interest will be best served thereby, and he shall hold a hearing if, within thirty days after such notice has been published, he receives a petition requesting such a hearing signed by at least twenty-five persons. Notice of such hearing shall be published at least thirty days before the hearing in a newspaper having a general circulation in the area in which the work will take place or have effect.

(b) The commissioner or his representative, engineer or consultant shall determine the impact of the construction work on the environment, on the safety of persons and property and on the inland wetlands and watercourses of the state in accordance with the provisions of sections 22a-36 to 22a-45, inclusive, and shall further determine the need for a fishway in accordance with the provisions of section 26-136, and shall examine the documents and inspect the site, and, upon approval thereof, the commissioner shall issue a permit authorizing the proposed construction work under such conditions as the commissioner may direct. The commissioner shall send a copy of the permit to the town clerk in any municipality in which the structure is located or any municipality which will be affected by the structure. An applicant for a permit issued under this section to alter, rebuild, repair or remove an existing dam shall not be required to obtain a permit under sections 22a-36 to 22a-45a, inclusive, or section 22a-342 or 22a-368. An applicant for a permit issued under this section to

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- construct a new dam shall not be required to obtain a permit under sections 22a-36 to 22a-45a, inclusive, for such construction.
- 88 (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, the commissioner 89 may construct, alter, rebuild, substantially repair, add to, replace or 90 remove any dam, dike, reservoir or other similar structure, with their 91 appurtenances, that are owned by the state and that are under the 92 commissioner's control without issuance of a permit pursuant to this 93 chapter, and without a permit, certification or approval pursuant to 94 part I of chapter 439, or chapters 440, 444, 446i and 476a, provided such 95 action is consistent with the policies contained in part I of chapter 439 96 and chapters 440, 444, 446i and 476a. Nothing in this subsection shall 97 preclude an action under section 22a-16.
- 98 Sec. 4. Subsection (l) of section 1-79 of the general statutes is 99 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective* 100 October 1, 2005):
- 101 (l) "Quasi-public agency" means the Connecticut Development 102 Authority, Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated, Connecticut Health 103 and Education Facilities Authority, Connecticut Higher Education 104 Supplemental Loan Authority, Connecticut Housing Finance 105 Authority, Connecticut Housing Authority, Connecticut Resources 106 Recovery Authority, [Connecticut Hazardous Waste Management 107 Service, Lower Fairfield County Convention Center Authority, Capital 108 City Economic Development Authority and Connecticut Lottery 109 Corporation.
- Sec. 5. Subdivision (1) of section 1-120 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1*, 2005):
- 113 (1) "Quasi-public agency" means the Connecticut Development 114 Authority, Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated, Connecticut Health 115 and Educational Facilities Authority, Connecticut Higher Education 116 Supplemental Loan Authority, Connecticut Housing Finance 117 Authority, Connecticut Housing Authority, Connecticut Resources

- 118 Recovery Authority, [Connecticut Hazardous Waste Management
- 119 Service, Capital City Economic Development Authority and
- 120 Connecticut Lottery Corporation.
- Sec. 6. Subsections (b) and (c) of section 16-50j of the general statutes
- are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
- 123 October 1, 2005):
- 124 (b) Except for proceedings under chapter 445, this subsection and
- subsection (c) of this section, [and sections 22a-134cc, 22a-134ff and
- 126 22a-163 to 22a-163u, inclusive,] the council shall consist of: (1) The
- 127 Commissioner of Environmental Protection, or his designee; (2) the
- chairman, or his designee, of the Public Utilities Control Authority; (3)
- one designee of the speaker of the House and one designee of the
- president pro tempore of the Senate; and (4) five members of the
- public, to be appointed by the Governor, at least two of whom shall be
- experienced in the field of ecology, and not more than one of whom
- shall have affiliation, past or present, with any utility or governmental
- 134 utility regulatory agency, or with any person owning, operating,
- 135 controlling, or presently contracting with respect to a facility, a
- hazardous waste facility as defined in section 22a-115 [, a regional low-
- level radioactive waste facility as defined in section 22a-163a] or ash
- 138 residue disposal area.
- (c) For proceedings under chapter 445, subsection (b) of this section
- 140 [,] and this subsection, [and sections 22a-134cc, 22a-134ff and 22a-163
- 141 to 22a-163u, inclusive, the council shall consist of (1) the
- 142 Commissioners of Public Health and Public Safety or their designated
- 143 representatives; (2) the designees of the speaker of the House of
- 144 Representatives and the president pro tempore of the Senate as
- provided in subsection (b) of this section; (3) the five members of the
- public as provided in subsection (b) of this section; and (4) four ad hoc
- members, three of whom shall be electors from the municipality in
- which the proposed facility is to be located and one of whom shall be
- an elector from a neighboring municipality likely to be most affected
- 150 by the proposed facility. The municipality most affected by the

proposed facility shall be determined by the permanent members of the council. If any one of the five members of the public or of the designees of the speaker of the House of Representatives or the president pro tempore of the Senate resides [(1)] (A) in the municipality in which a hazardous waste facility is proposed to be located for a proceeding concerning a hazardous waste facility or in which a low-level radioactive waste facility is proposed to be located for a proceeding concerning a low-level radioactive waste facility, or [(2)] (B) in the neighboring municipality likely to be most affected by the proposed facility, the appointing authority shall appoint a substitute member for the proceedings on such proposal. If any appointee is unable to perform his duties on the council due to illness, or has a substantial financial or employment interest which is in conflict with the proper discharge of his duties under this chapter, the appointing authority shall appoint a substitute member for proceedings on such proposal. An appointee shall report any substantial financial or employment interest which might conflict with the proper discharge of his duties under this chapter to the appointing authority who shall determine if such conflict exists. If any state agency is the applicant, an appointee shall not be deemed to have a substantial employment conflict of interest because of employment with the state unless such appointee is directly employed by the state agency making the application. Ad hoc members shall be appointed by the chief elected official of the municipality they represent and shall continue their membership until the council issues a letter of completion of the development and management plan to the applicant.

Sec. 7. Subdivision (10) of section 25-201 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2005*):

(10) "Major state plan" means the master transportation plan adopted pursuant to section 13b-15, the plan for development of outdoor recreation adopted pursuant to section 22a-21, the solid waste management plan adopted pursuant to section 22a-211, the state-wide plan for the management of water resources adopted pursuant to

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- 185 section 22a-352, the state-wide environmental plan adopted pursuant 186 to section 22a-8, the plan for the disposal of dredged material for Long 187 Island Sound, the historic preservation plan adopted under the 188 National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, the state-wide facility 189 and capital plan adopted pursuant to section 4b-23, the water quality 190 management plan adopted under the federal Clean Water Act, the 191 marine resources management plan, [the Connecticut hazardous waste 192 management plan adopted pursuant to section 22a-134cc, the plan for 193 managing forest resources, the wildlife management plans and the 194 salmon restoration plan.
- Sec. 8. Subdivision (4) of section 25-231 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1*, 2005):
- 198 (4) "Major state plan" means any of the following: The master 199 transportation plan adopted pursuant to section 13b-15, the plan for 200 development of outdoor recreation adopted pursuant to section 22a-21, 201 the solid waste management plan adopted pursuant to section 22a-211, 202 the state-wide plan for the management of water resources adopted 203 pursuant to section 22a-352, the state-wide environmental plan 204 adopted pursuant to section 22a-8, the historic preservation plan 205 adopted under the National Historic Preservation Act, 16 USC 470 et 206 seq., the state-wide facility and capital plan adopted pursuant to 207 section 4b-23, the long-range state housing plan adopted pursuant to 208 section 8-37t, the comprehensive energy plan adopted pursuant to 209 section 16a-7a, the water quality management plan adopted under the 210 federal Clean Water Act, 33 USC 1251 et seq., [the Connecticut 211 hazardous waste management plan adopted pursuant to section 22a-212 134cc, any plans for managing forest resources adopted pursuant to 213 section 23-20 and the Connecticut River Atlantic Salmon Compact 214 adopted pursuant to section 26-302.
- Sec. 9. Section 22a-161d of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2005*):

- 217 The Connecticut commissioner of the Northeast Interstate Low-218 Level Radioactive Waste Compact shall not take any action which 219 accepts for disposal any low-level radioactive waste [, as defined in 220 section 22a-163a,] which was generated outside the Northeast 221 Interstate Low-Level Radioactive Waste Compact unless approval for 222 such disposal is granted, in writing, by the chief elected official of the 223 municipality in which a low-level radioactive waste disposal facility is 224 located.
- Sec. 10. Subsection (a) of section 51-344a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2005*):
- 228 (a) Whenever the term "judicial district of Hartford-New Britain" or 229 "judicial district of Hartford-New Britain at Hartford" is used or 230 referred to in the following sections of the general statutes, it shall be 231 deemed to mean or refer to the judicial district of Hartford on and after 232 September 1, 1998: Sections 1-205, 1-206, 2-48, 3-21a, 3-62d, 3-70a, 3-233 71a, 4-61, 4-160, 4-164, 4-177b, 4-180, 4-183, 4-197, 5-202, 5-276a, 8-30g, 234 9-7a, 9-7b, 9-369b, 10-153e, 12-208, 12-237, 12-268l, 12-312, 12-330m, 12-235 405k, 12-422, 12-448, 12-454, 12-456, 12-463, 12-489, 12-522, 12-554, 12-236 565, 12-572, 12-586f, 12-597, 12-730, 13b-34, 13b-235, 13b-315, 13b-375, 237 14-57, 14-66, 14-67u, 14-110, 14-195, 14-311, 14-311c, 14-324, 14-331, 15-238 125, 15-126, 16-41, 16a-5, 17b-60, 17b-100, 17b-238, 17b-531, 19a-85, 19a-239 86, 19a-123d, 19a-425, 19a-498, 19a-517, 19a-526, 19a-633, 20-12f, 20-13e, 240 20-29, 20-40, 20-45, 20-59, 20-73a, 20-86f, 20-99, 20-114, 20-133, 20-154, 241 20-156, 20-162p, 20-192, 20-195p, 20-202, 20-206c, 20-227, 20-238, 20-247, 242 20-263, 20-271, 20-307, 20-341f, 20-363, 20-373, 20-404, 20-414, 21a-55, 243 21a-190i, 21a-196, 22-7, 22-37, 22-64, 22-195, 22-228, 22-248, 22-254, 22-244 320d, 22-326a, 22-344b, 22-386, 22a-6b, 22a-7, 22a-16, 22a-30, 22a-34, 245 22a-53, 22a-60, 22a-62, 22a-63, 22a-66h, 22a-106a, 22a-119, [22a-163m,] 246 22a-167, 22a-180, 22a-182a, 22a-184, 22a-220a, 22a-220d, 22a-225, 22a-247 226, 22a-226c, 22a-227, 22a-250, 22a-255l, 22a-276, 22a-285a, 22a-285g, 248 22a-285j, 22a-310, 22a-342a, 22a-344, 22a-361a, 22a-374, 22a-376, 22a-249 408, 22a-430, 22a-432, 22a-438, 22a-449f, 22a-449g, 22a-459, 23-5e, 23-250 65m, 25-32e, 25-36, 28-5, 29-158, 29-161z, 29-317, 29-323, 29-329, 29-334,

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- 257 774, 38a-776, 38a-817, 38a-843, 38a-868, 38a-906, 38a-994, 42-103c, 42-
- 258 110d, 42-110k, 42-110p, 42-182, 46a-5, 46a-56, 46a-100, 47a-21, 49-73, 51-
- 259 44a, 51-81b, 51-194, 52-146j, 53-392d and 54-211a.
- Sec. 11. Subsection (f) of section 22a-137 of the general statutes is
- 261 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
- 262 *October* 1, 2005):
- 263 (f) The provisions of this section shall not apply to the disposal of
- 264 low-level radioactive waste in accordance with the provisions of
- 265 sections 22a-161 to [22a-165f] <u>22a-162a</u>, inclusive.

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- 266 Sec. 12. Sections 22a-134aa to 22a-134oo, inclusive, 22a-163 to 22a-
- 267 163aa, inclusive, 22a-164 and 22a-165 to 22a-165h, inclusive, of the
- 268 general statutes are repealed. (Effective October 1, 2005)

| This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections: | | |
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| Section 1 | from passage | 22a-178(g) |
| Sec. 2 | October 1, 2005 | 22a-174(k)(3) |
| Sec. 3 | October 1, 2005 | 22a-403 |
| Sec. 4 | October 1, 2005 | 1-79(l) |
| Sec. 5 | October 1, 2005 | 1-120(1) |
| Sec. 6 | October 1, 2005 | 16-50j(b) and (c) |
| Sec. 7 | October 1, 2005 | 25-201(10) |

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Repealer section

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